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## JOLLY JUNIORS

### Crack Nuts and Jokes

ABOUT THE BANQUET BOARD—  
THEY UNCORK ORATORY BUT  
NOTHING ELSE.

Good Things in Food and Thought—  
A Number of the Faculty Present—All Have Their Say  
and They Say It Well—

Digest of the  
Toasts.

ON Friday night the junior law class gathered 'round the festal board for their annual banquet. It was truly a "feast of reason and a flow of soul." The event marked a new departure in College life. In gatherings of this nature it is customary for the boys to exclude those who are not engaged in the same course of college studies. But President Hendrick decided that upon this occasion that it would be well for the class to institute a reform and a pleasant innovation. Accordingly an invitation was extended to the members of the faculty to add the dignity of their presence and the inspiration of their words of kindness and esteem. As early as eight o'clock, the parlors of the Riggs House were crowded with enthusiastic students, who take pride in the advancement of goodfellowship and the material progress of the class. Among the gathering might be seen the magnificent form of a Supreme Court Justice, and the well proportioned figure of an honored and popular lecturer of the senior class. Our distinguished and beloved president led the conversation among a group of admiring students, and in one part of the room could be seen the shrewd and kindly face of ex-Congressman Butterworth who regaled the boys with experiences of campaign life in Ohio, and the many warm friends of Secretary Martin grouped themselves in an animated circle around him and talked to him of the great future in store for Columbian.

At nine o'clock the boys descended to the dining hall in groups. A lavish sprinkling of orange and blue and tasteful decorations added much to a tempting repast. At a signal from

the president all were seated; after an elaborate menu was served the covers were laid aside, cigars were lighted and the speeches began. President Hendrick acted as toastmaster. With a grace and dignity that is purely his own, he welcomed the guests of the evening and his remarks to his junior friends were noble in sentiment and provoked enthusiastic applause. From the first sentence which fell from his lips every member of the assembly felt that as a fluent and pleasing speaker, as a master of happy phrase, no one could manage the details of banquet ceremony in a style so noted for its consummate tact and the brilliant beauty of its diction. After the conclusion of his introductory remarks he presented President Whitman, who spoke on the importance of standing by the University. He expressed the desire that every man who went out of the University doors should bear the Columbian stamp. His language glowed with the theme so dear to his heart and was fervid with the emotions generated by his high hopes for the future.

The standard for Columbian, portrayed by this genial and high minded gentleman, the scholarly logician, was one of lofty and genuine excellence.

In responding to the toast, "Our Profession," Mr. John M. Spellman began his lofty theme in that easy, graceful abandon which is characteristic of his association with his many college friends. Every man of this large and enthusiastic class who appreciates genuine merit, who feels a just pride in the accomplishments of an acknowledged class leader, regards John Spellman as a sincere and honest friend.

He began his speech in a humorous vein by a reference to his primary intention to give them the benefit of an original joke but he alleged that he was discouraged by its failure to elicit a breach of the gravity of a personal friend on the preceding evening. The joke was called for and told in true Texas style. After this digression he launched upon his address and held his audience spell-bound, by a rhetorical effort unsurpassed in the records of college life. He found the beginning of all science in the elements of the law. He compared it to a vast ocean and completed his metaphor with the following beautiful sentence: "We

must launch our boat upon its waters and with strong, reliant stroke, pull for the quiet harbor which lies at the gateway of the Elysian fields of Knowledge and of Power."

The next toast was responded to by Mr. Lenkins and he told many amusing stories on the diversity of opinion which often exists among juries. His jokes were spicy and he told them well, and when he sat down the table was in an uproar.

Vice President Sanford in responding to his toast "The University" made one of the neatest and most polished speeches of the evening. He followed up in happy vein the thoughts set forth by Dr. Whitman. His delivery was easy and graceful and his remarks were punctuated with applause.

Enthusiasm ran high when Justice Harlan arose and said he was glad to be present and humorously denied the allegations of being venerable, made by one of the preceding speakers. He assured us that in every effort for the right we would have his hearty co-operation.

Preston Boisseau, of Virginia, had numerous friends present, judging from the enthusiastic applause which greeted his introduction. His was one of the happiest speeches of the evening and his theme, "Junior and Chief Justice," was in pleasing contrast after Judge Harlan's remarks, and we venture to say that those present will long remember his graphic portrayal of the struggles and ambitions of the young aspirant for honor and distinction. As he climbed the ladder of fame some of the rungs were rotten and gave way beneath his hold. From some he was pushed away by other aspirants but he kept on climbing with his eye on the top, until at last we see him with the mists of adversity dispelled by the sunshine of success.

The next response is worthy of extended mention. The class of '97 were pleased and gratified to know that one of their number entertained for his classmates hopes and ambitions in pleasing sympathy with their fondest dreams. Every member of the class recognized in Ben Martin a man peculiarly fitted to speak for the class of '97. This address was marked by characteristic force and sincerity. His sentiment was as our honored Justice Brewer puts it, "May the man who stoops to win a case by a trick be forever ruined in

the attempt."

Judge Maury after expressing his appreciation of the compliment paid him by the class, took an opportunity to impress upon the class the commanding place of the Latin language in the jurisprudence of the world. The Judge was at his best and that was saying a great deal, and the juniors joyfully look forward to the time when they are to come under his guiding influence and instruction.

"I am not much on spache-makin', but for honesty, sobriety and virtue I bate the very devil himself," Said Mr. J. E. Jenks. "The toastmaster has introduced me as being a modest man and I am to speak to the toast. An honest Lawyer! If I proclaim myself modest I shall not be honest. If I say I am honest I shall not be modest." And so in this happy, pleasing style he continued his remarks to a fitting close.

Mr. H. J. Brown clearly showed the banqueters the wisdom of the old motto "A sound mind in a sound body." His remarks were clear cut and decisive and evidenced a thorough familiarity with the subject in hand.

One of the features of the evening was the eloquent and entertaining discourse of our distinguished preceptor on patent law. Hon. Benj. Butterworth's brilliant wit and bubbling humor are gifts of nature and he uses them well. His many encouraging words will linger long in the hearts of his junior friends.

At this juncture Mr. James E. Fisher, president of the senior class, was called upon and made a few appropriate remarks.

W. M. Smith spoke for the machine politician. Every body was expecting something good from Smith and they were not disappointed. His speech was distinctive of the man, strong, forcible and consistent, and more than all it bore the stamp of originality. He draws from the well of his own originality. His allusions to machine politics touched a responsive chord in many a juniors heart. With unrivaled skill he marshalled his arguments in the exposition of this fitly chosen subject. He said "The machine politician stands in the bright light of Heaven and grants to all men the right and privileges he claims for himself," and no truer exponent of this principle could be found than Smith.

The next toast "Youthful Ambition" was responded to by Mr. Louis Cousar. His theme was a beautiful one and in a graceful, manly speech, a masterpiece of rhetoric, he brought out the thought, ambition was the mainspring of every good and noble purpose.

An honest ambition to uplift the character of American life, uphold and perpetuate the solid precepts of the law is a glorious desire, and if we're resolute to avoid alluring temptations from the paths of honor and right, success would crown our efforts.

Perhaps the funniest speech of the evening was that of Mr. Maurice Alden, of Kansas. He spoke of being from Bleeding Kansas, the home of sockless statesmen and congratulated the people from that state for their wisdom in sending a man to the United States Senate whose length of beard preserved his equilibrium. "We are like a yellow dog in the wrong alley, no one can resist giving us a dig. But I am not going to get mad. This is no place to get angry, anyway. We must carry away from the hall nothing but the kindest feelings, the table and silverware must remain." He was interrupted several times by generous applause.

"A lion among ladies!" Well, we had him with us, as President Hendrick said, "shorn of his lady admirers." Mr. Keiper's fund of anecdotes seems inexhaustible and he has an inimitable way of telling them. He is a speaker who can adapt himself as easily to the banquet hall as well as he can make a cyclone speech in the debating society.

Loud calls for Mr. Snodgrass, just before Mr. Keiper spoke, brought that gentlemen to his feet and he responded with a few witty remarks.

President Hendrick closed the evenings jollity. Much of the success of the banquet had been due to his untiring efforts and the revelers seconded warmly his closing sentiments.

He said:

"Gentlemen: The year is drawing to a close and the banquet is over. To the officers of the class I wish to extend my thanks for their cheerful and efficient help and on their behalf I extend to the class their grateful appreciation of the spirit of thoughtfulness and consideration that has permeated every member. We count ourselves happy that we have had with us this evening our honored guests and we shall carry away with us thoughts that will stimulate and encourage us along the pathway of life.

"I said the banquet is over, but the pleasant memories of this occasion will never be forgotten, and it

seems fitting that our last words should be in the language of Little Billee, "as we climb the hill of prosperity, may we never meet a friend that's coming down."

#### GUESTS.

Rev. B. L. Whitman, Justice Harlan, Judge Wm. A. Maury, Hon. Benj. Butterworth, Hon. R. H. Martin.

James E. Fisher, president of Senior Class.

#### JUNIORS PRESENT.

Alden, M. L.	Keiper, Frank
Archer, P. F.	Leonard, Henry
Bevans, J. W.	Linke, J. R. A.
Boisseau, Preston	Linkins, G. R.
Bowen, P. A. Jr.	Mathson Geo.
Brannenburgh, F. W.	Martin, Benjamin jr.
Brown, H. J.	Pembaker, E. K.
Buck, A. A.	Prentiss, S. B.
Connor, H. A.	Sanford, H. C.
Corevin, W. B.	Shreve, C. S. jr.
Cousar, J. L.	Smith, W. M.
Croxtan, F. C.	Snodgrass, J. J.
Foster, Randolph	Specht, A. F.
Fowler, O. H.	Spellman, J. M.
Fritt, E. S.	Stamper, W. S.
Fulk, A. M.	Sullivan, L. V.
Fulk, F. G.	Sullivan, W. E.
Gates, C. V.	Tarbox, F. L.
Goodheart, F. B.	Thomas, J. L.
Haudy, F. C.	Weaver, H. O.
Harris, C. G.	Wells, C. C.
Hendrick, J. T.	Woodland, W. F.
Jenks, J. E.	Wright, Machen
Johnson, C. A.	Young, Hurlbert
Johnson, G. J.	

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### Is the Munificent Amount

**GIVEN BY MRS. MARY M. CARTER,  
TO COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY,  
TO FOUND SCHOLARSHIPS.**

**Again a Friend Remembers the Needs  
of the Institution—The Matter  
Has Been Kept Quiet—The  
Call Joins With Colum-  
bian's Host in Thank-  
ing the Donor.**

THE authorities of the University are happy to announce that the institution has received another munificent benefaction from one of its many friends. Very recently a new School of Civil Engineering was established in the Columbian College. This action was recognized by all as a distinct step in advance. The Scientific School has for a number of years had an excellent Department of Civil Engineering which was built up by the indefatigable labors of Professor Fava. Now the College is enabled to offer equally good facilities to students of this subject. The Professor of Civil Engineering in the Columbian College has not yet been appointed, but instruction will be offered in the opening of the coming academic year. The course will be very extensive, including among many other subjects, Drawing (Geometric and Free-Hand), De-

scriptive Geometry, Mechanics, Graphic Statics, Surveying, Theory of Trusses, Surveying, Planning and Construction of Bridges and Buildings, Design of Masonry structures, Railroad Engineering, Hydraulics, Engineering Applied to Water Supply and Irrigation, Foundations, Design and Construction of Sewers, Harbor and River Improvements and Materials used in Practical Engineering.

The new school is opened with auspicious prospects. On January 4th, 1896, Mrs. Mary M. Carter, the widow of the distinguished civil engineer, Henry Harding Carter, addressed to the Treasurer of the University the following letter:

MR. ROBERT H. MARTIN,  
*Secretary and Treasurer Columbian  
University.*

DEAR SIR: I hand you herewith my check for \$5,000.00 for the purpose of founding one or more scholarships in the Columbian College, in the Department of Civil Engineering, to be known as the Henry Harding Carter Scholarship, in whose memory it is established. It is my desire that this fund shall be safely invested, and the interest only used each year in aiding worthy young men in paying their tuition in the College."

When this munificent gift was presented to the authorities of the University, it was gratefully accepted, they established the Henry Harding Carter Scholarship in Civil Engineering, open to students of the Columbian College. The Institution was thus enabled to extend still further the scope of its influence. The gentleman in whose memory the scholarship was founded is too well and too favorably known in this community to need either introduction or eulogy at our hands.

Henry Harding Carter was born September 10th, 1846, in Rockville, Montgomery County, Maryland. He followed the profession of a civil engineer. He was in the South at the breaking out of the war, and served in the Confederate Army until its close. Later he became connected with the Pennsylvania Railroad, and was appointed engineer in chief of the Baltimore and Potomac Tunnel. In 1875 he was appointed an officer of that corporation, severing his connection with the same in 1890 on account of ill health. He moved to Washington in 1891, and died here December 27, 1895. He was one of the directors of the Bank of Washington. The high esteem in which he was held by his associates may be seen from the following resolutions adopted at a called meeting of the directors of the Bank of Washington on December 28th:

"In this holiday season, when hearts are filled with joy and thanksgiving, and the sweetness and joy of family ties and those of friendship are brought forcibly to our attention, we were inexpressibly pained and shocked to learn of the sudden death of our friend and brother director of this bank, Henry Harding Carter, yesterday afternoon."

"Mr. Carter was elected a member of this board on October 22, 1889, and brought to the discharge of his duties ripe experience, sound judgment and executive ability acquired by long experience in his official connection with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. This, with his natural capacity and integrity of purpose, made him an efficient member of the board of directors, in promoting the welfare of the bank; and his genial manner, so promotive of pleasant intercourse, won our regard.

"As a token of the high esteem in which we held our departed friend, and desiring to manifest our respect for his memory, it is

"Resolved, That these proceedings be entered on the minutes of the board and a copy be transmitted to his widow, to whom we tender heartfelt condolence and sympathy."

"Resolved, That the directors attend the funeral in a body, and that these resolutions be published in the press of the city."

The thanks of all the friends of liberal learning are due to Mrs. Carter. She has established for her lamented husband a monument *aere perennius*, which not the touch of time nor the storms of the changing seasons shall destroy.

#### A Columbian Girl.

Miss Mary McPherson, A. M. Columbian 1895, A. B. Wellesby 1893, and now a student in medicine at Ann Arbor, contributes an interesting paper on "Festivals and Athletic at Wellesby" which appears as the leading article in the University of Michigan daily for April 1. This issue of the daily is edited by women students in the interest of the fund for the Women's Building, and it appears as a twelve page paper fitted with bright and attractive matter.

#### No Change.

Upon a wheel she often rode  
At a two-forty gait—  
A little fast, but then you know,  
She was simply up to date.

But one bright day she met her fate,  
While scorching down a hill;  
She struck a two-horse wagon, and  
I guess she's scorching still.

—C. FROPPA.



## SIXTH DEBATE

Of the Law School's Society

WILL OCCUR SATURDAY EVENING,  
APRIL 25, IN THE MAIN HALL.  
THIS CLOSES THE SERIES.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE DEBATES.—  
PREPARATIONS FOR THE ANNUAL  
PRIZE CONTEST.—THE MEN WHO  
WILL ARGUE SATURDAY  
EVE.—BIOGRAPHIES.

The sixth and last of the series of public debating contests to choose twelve candidates from whom the six prize debaters are to be elected, will be held on Saturday, April 25, at 8.15 P. M. These debates were instituted primarily for the purpose of keeping up interest in the society during a year when it seemed inadvisable to arrange debates with any outside college. They have served this purpose admirably, and have, moreover, proved themselves worthy to be continued for their own sake. It may be found advisable, when the intercollegiate debates are resumed as will probably be done next year, to reduce the number of public debates. They have, however, proved themselves too useful as a means of choosing prize debaters to be abandoned.

With the debate of the 25th the regular meetings of the society for this year end, as the constitution provides that regular meetings shall not continue beyond the last day of April. But on Saturday, May 1st, the debating society will meet and choose from the list of twelve candidates, who have won the preliminary contests, the six who are to take part in the prize debate.

The men who have already won places on this list of twelve, are Post-graduates Marvin M. McLean of Texas, Harvey B. Gram of Ohio, A. A. Davis of Tennessee, and F. F. Gentsch of Ohio; Seniors W. H. Coleman of Pennsylvania, and William E. Fort of Georgia; Juniors Frank Keiper of Indiana, J. L. Thomas of Missonri, Benjamin Martin, Jr., of South Carolina and Maurice L. Alden of Kansas.

The debate of the 25th is for the purpose of adding two more names to this list of honor. The contestants show the cosmopolitan character of Columbia—they come from all sections of our great country. S. E. Burroughs of New Hampshire, L. L. Sullivan of Idaho, and S. Carroll Ford of the District of Columbia, are on the affirmative, and F. W. H. Clay of Kentucky, Augustus M. Fulk of Arkansas, and Alfred S. Dalton of North Carolina, on the negative. The subject for debate is: "Resolved, That the Constitution be so amended that United States Senators shall be elected by a direct popular vote," and Professor W. G. Johnson, A. P. Montagne and Mr. Robert H. Martin are to act as judges.

Sherman E. Burroughs was born in Bow, New Hampshire, in March, 1870. He went to the district school at Bow, and afterwards attended and was graduated at the Concord, N. H., High School. He then entered Dartmouth College, taking the classical course and graduated with the degree of A. B. in 1894. While at Dartmouth Mr. Burroughs took a

prominent part in debating work. Three times he had the honor of being chosen by competitive contest as one of the representatives of his class, on the annual prize debate, and he vindicated the wisdom of those who chose him by winning the prize debate in his graduating year. He was made a member of the "Sphinx," the leading senior society at Dartmouth. The summer following his graduation he studied law in an office at Concord. He came to Washington to act as private secretary to Congressman Baker in the fall of 1894, and entered Columbia Law School. He is a member of the present Senior Law Class, and belongs to Phi Delta Phi fraternity. There is grace and ease in the way a trained college athlete performs his feats and wins his victories as did the Americans at Athens. Much the same characteristics may be noted in the trained college debater of whom we are speaking. He knows how to use his powers to the highest point of effectiveness, yet in an easy and graceful manner.

Mr. L. L. Sullivan spanned almost a continent when he made the journey from his home to Washington in order to enter Columbia. He was born in Coffin's Grove, Iowa, on the 15th of August, 1876, but moved to Hailey, Idaho, in 1883. After attending the public schools of that town for several years, Mr. Sullivan took the academic course of the Portland University, at Portland, Oregon. The following year he studied at Valparaiso, Indiana.

Mr. Sullivan entered Columbia in the fall of 1895. He is a good Republican, as is evidenced by the fact that he was elected a member of the executive committee of the Columbia University Republican Club. We suspect, however, that a little of the free silver taint that has touched so much good Republican material in the West is also working upon him. Mr. Sullivan has won the favorable opinion of all who know him, both as a good law student and a good debater.

Arkansas is well represented upon this debate by Mr. A. M. Fulk. Mr. Fulk has a pleasing style of address. He possesses, to a considerable degree, the faculty of expressing himself in meaty, sententious phrases that bring out a point clearly and forcibly. Mr. Fulk was born at Little Rock, Arkansas, where, after receiving a public school education, he was graduated from the Peabody High School. On deciding to study law, Mr. Fulk came to Washington and last fall entered the junior class of Columbia Law School. He expects, on graduation, to practice law in his father's office at Little Rock. Mr. Fulk is a Democrat, and a warm advocate of the free coinage of silver at the ratio of sixteen to one.

Mr. S. C. Ford was born in the District of Columbia, and attended the Washington public schools. He was graduated from the Central High School in 1890. While in the high school, Mr. Ford commanded Company B, High School Battalion, which was at that time well known as the "Fancy Drill Squad," alias the "Hungry Dozen." In 1894, Mr. Ford completed the course of study at the Columbia College, and was graduated as valedictorian with the degree of A. B. Mr. Ford entered Columbia Law School in the fall of 1895. Teaching is his present occupation, but the

law is his chosen profession, which he will follow in future. Mr. Ford has not had the time to devote to the work of the Debating Society this year to any great extent; but notwithstanding this he may be relied upon to acquit himself well in this contest.

The audience need have no fear that the vigor and warmth of this debate will die down toward its close. The representatives of the "tight little isle," whose name appears last on the programme, is sufficient guaranty against this. Alfred Sidney Dalton was born at Somerby, England, December 20, 1871. He early displayed good sense by emigrating to this country, and was educated in the public schools of Richmond, Virginia. Afterwards Mr. Dalton attended the Virginia Mechanics Institute, of Richmond. He then studied stenography, and is now engaged in that capacity in the government service. Mr. Dalton is a member of the senior class of Columbia Law School, and expects upon graduation to practice law at Tarboro, North Carolina. He is a thorough American, a good student, and an excellent debater. He has been one of the most faithful members of the Debating Society since he entered the law school, and his friends are confident that he will do well on this occasion.

## OUR SAYRE.

Wins New Glory at Harvard.

THE BRILLIANT YOUNG MAN OF  
THE COLUMBIAN—GEORGE—  
TOWN DEBATE WILL DE-  
FEND THE CRIMSON.

Yale-Harvard Contest—How the  
Contestants Are Selected—Mr.  
Sayre's Victory—He Was  
a Member of '95.

THE members of the post-graduate class of Columbia University Law School will be especially delighted to know that the youngest member of their class last year, Adolphe Monell Sayre, has achieved one of the greatest honors in the gift of Harvard, where he is now attending college. Those who have kept watch of Harvard and Yale for the past ten years in their endeavors to outstrip the other know the intercollegiate debates between these two great universities are of the deepest interest to the colleges and their alumni all over the country. For six consecutive years the "Crimson" has excelled the "Blue," but this year Yale has an especially strong corps of debaters, and, flushed with her victory over Princeton, will make a desperate effort to retrieve herself with Harvard.

The faculty and advisory commit-

tee of Harvard have been urging upon the students of that university the importance of winning the forthcoming debate with Yale, and invited competitors for the honor of representing Harvard upon this occasion from all departments of the university with its 2,500 students. Thirty-six of which are undoubtedly the best debaters in Harvard responded to this invitation, and discussed before a committee of the most eminent professors on the subjects involved in the question:

"Resolved, That a permanent court of arbitration should be established between the United States and Great Britain."

Of the thirty-six speakers who contested six were chosen, three of whom should be debaters and three serve in the capacity of "alternates." Mr. Sayre was one of the six. Then these six speakers debated before another committee to see which three should speak, and Mr. Sayre is one of three to speak upon this great intercollegiate debate.

When the size of these two great universities is taken into consideration in connection with the rivalry which has existed for more than half a century between them, together with the fact that Mr. Sayre went there a year ago an entire stranger, it is impossible to understand how a greater honor could be conferred, and that solely upon the ground of merit. Columbians who heard him in his masterly effort against Georgetown last winter will not question the wisdom of his selection. He won the prize for "excellence in debate" at Columbia two years ago, and the prize essay last year. This is the kind of men who made up the famous class of '95 at Columbia.

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### TURNED UP MISSING.

THE CALL presents its apologies  
for failing to appear last week.  
There are so many reasons for this  
strange performance, that it would  
only worry the reader to repeat them.  
If you long for them, however, we  
direct you to the devil (we refer of  
course, to the imp of ink and towels).

Like the comedian, though, of a  
once popular opera, "we bob up se-  
renely" again. And if forgiven this  
time, promise to appear as regularly  
hereafter as the favorite son boom  
in the political hash of the daily  
papers.

### SOME MONEY TALK.

ON several occasions the CALL  
has had occasion to notify its  
subscribers, or at least that portion  
who were delinquent, that a settle-  
ment of their subscription would be  
appreciated. A goodly number have  
responded, and yet there is an equal  
number on the subscription books  
that are in arrears. A number of  
gentlemen, friends of the University,

agreed when the journal was started,  
to subscribe a small amount above  
their subscription that would be paid  
in case the subscriptions assured by  
the students were not paid.

It begins to look to the business  
management of the paper as though  
the delinquents were going to force  
the generous backers of the CALL to  
make up the small amounts that  
they owe.

A final appeal is here made to  
every one owing the paper to settle  
the indebtedness, and thus relieve  
the editors of an embarrassing position.  
It is a small matter, but a hundred  
or so small matters make a good  
sized mountain. It is no pleasure for  
the different members of the staff to  
personally call upon delinquents and  
dun them for a dollar. A well known  
Englishman once wrote an entertain-  
ing novel under the caption of "Put  
yourself in his place." Do it with  
us once and see how you feel.

Don't force us to call on the gentle-  
men who have kindly consented to  
help us in an emergency. Let it be  
said of the CALL that student brains  
and student money carried it through  
the first year of its existence.

Your dollar will help bring this  
about.

### THE MASCULINE QUALITY.

"I LIKE the CALL," said a Mass-  
achusetts professor to one of  
the editors, "because of its masculine  
quality. The fault with too much  
of the college journalism of this  
country is that it seems to be dom-  
inated by the negative all the time.  
We like matter that is virile, that  
seem to be hand made and not ma-  
chine made."

The Columbian organ hopes that  
it deserves the compliment. A per-  
usal of college exchanges grows  
the conclusion that the most  
of the editorial utterances are in-  
spired by a late work on rhetoric,  
and the whole aim of the would-be  
Raymond is to carefully follow the  
rule as to introduction, body and  
conclusion. The pithy advice of  
Greeley that editorials should only  
be written when the writer has some-  
thing to say, has apparently never  
been taken to heart. And yet it is the  
secret of the success attained by men  
who, in their time have swung great  
editorial power. It has made Watter-  
son the newspaper giant of the blue  
grass country, Dana the idol of a  
great constituency, while the old  
Commercial of Cincinnati was read  
and believed by a large portion of  
Buckeyedom because of the rugged  
honesty and the original vein of field  
marshal Halstead.

It pays to strike hard in journalism,  
big or little. It pays to be called  
honest, and it pays to incorporate  
heart talk. The most pitiable object  
in the public gaze is the hired editorial  
writer who day after day voices sen-  
timents that his conscience opposes.  
Constructing a logical breastwork  
that his own clever mind brands as  
weak and ineffecient. Such stuff  
never makes a convert. Even the  
dullest mind detects the false note,  
and when such a man dies the matter  
that he has laborously produced dies  
with him.

If it can always be said of the  
CALL that it was virile, robust and  
masculine, its end will have been  
subservied.

### AN EDITORIAL CENSOR.

April 18, 1896.

EDITOR OF THE COLUMBIAN CALL,  
Columbian University.

DEAR SIR: As a subscriber to the CALL  
and an alumnus of the University, I beg  
leave to express to you my dissent from  
the editorial policy involved in the pub-  
lication of your leading editorial in your  
issue of the 11th instant, in relation to  
Howard University.

Whatever may be our private views on  
this question, it does not seem to me that  
the official paper of the Columbian Uni-  
versity ought to assume a position of hos-  
tility to any other educational institution  
in the District.

The object of the paper is, I think, the  
upbuilding of Columbian.

I am glad to see the very intelligent  
discussion which has gone on for several  
weeks over the question of the lan-  
guage to be used in the diplomas of the  
Law School, and hope that the Univer-  
sity authorities will at least give the op-  
tion to the students of having their di-  
plomas in English if desired.

Yours respectfully,  
WM. B. KING.

### DEVILS.

They have many a ring, they strive to  
fling

In fetter athwart our faltering limbs;  
They will drag us down to the mires that  
drown,

To the murk that our daylight dims.

They steal from behind, they couch and  
wind,

They are near us at every guardless  
point;

But over the heart alone their art  
Can avail to clasp their painful joint.

For the open will is the ground they till,  
For their nightshade growth and their  
damning seed;

No pleading then that they kidnap men;  
They work in the place of heed.

Well may they tread like the serpent  
thread,

That glides in the dark o'er a traitor  
soil;

But in front alone can the deed be done  
That delivers thy breast, their spoil.

Columbine.

## University News.

### SCIENTIFIC DEPARTMENT.

#### Introductory Lecture of Professor Hans Zopke.

The introductory lecture of Pro-  
fessor Hans Zopke, on Mechanical  
Engineering, took place on Thursday  
afternoon, April 9th, in the lecture  
hall of the University before a very  
intellectual audience.

The ceremonial installation of  
Professor Zopke is the first of its  
kind in the "new era" of the Univer-  
sity and is full of significance, as  
President Whitman indicated when  
he stated in introducing Professor  
Zopke:

"We celebrate to-day the found-  
ing of a new department of the Uni-  
versity. It falls within the particu-  
lar field of the Scientific School but  
effects the work of the whole Uni-  
versity both in its undergraduate and  
graduate departments. It is a matter  
of great fortune that we have secured  
a gentleman so well fitted for this  
work as the present incumbent, Pro-  
fessor Hans Zopke, whom I have the  
honor of presenting."

Professor Zopke had selected for  
his address "The Mission of Techni-  
cians in the Problem of Culture," a  
lecture which ought to have been  
heard by every student in the Uni-  
versity. In a forcible and masterful  
manner he showed that Technicians  
had played and was playing an impor-  
tant part in the development and  
growth of culture as any of the  
sciences, and some of his statements  
while surprising, for no other reason  
however than because these facts  
had never been presented in the same  
light before, were nevertheless in-  
capable of contradiction.

His address, which held the close  
attention of his audience during the  
short hour of its duration, was re-  
ceived with loud, continuous, and  
well-merited applause.

Mr. Merrill A. Martin, who gradu-  
ated from the Scientific Department  
in 1894 in assaying, has been ap-  
pointed as Assistant Assayist in  
the Helena, Montana, U. S. Mint at  
a salary of \$4.50 per day. The As-  
say Department of the Scientific  
School does not turn out many men,  
it is true, for no other reason than  
that it is not yet fully appreciated,  
but it will be noted that those men  
who do graduate from the thorough  
course here offered have no difficulty  
in commanding immediate and large  
salaried positions.

Mr. V. K. Chestnut, who read a  
paper before the Chemical Society on



Thursday last entitled "Vegetable Skin Irritants and their Chemical Composition," is a candidate for a Doctor's degree in Columbian.

The attention of the Faculty is respectfully invited to the fact, that up to the present time of going to press, no reply has been received to the petitions presented by the students of the Scientific School at their mass meeting of four weeks ago.

It's a climb of two long flights of dark stone stairs, with an occasional stumble over your own feet, to Professor Munroe's office, and when you reach his room, breathless, and don't find him there, it means either sit down and wait, or fall down the stairs and climb up again at a later hour for a second visit. It's tedious to wait when solutions are boiling below during your absence, and the longer you wait the more uncomfortable you grow at the thought of broken beakers. But there is one infallible sign as to whether the Professor has been around in the last hour—and that is "smoke." If you smell smoke WAIT—if you don't then fall down the steps again, for the Professor's trail has grown cold, and the Lord only knows when he will come back.

The following dialogue was overheard in Professor Munroe's office:

Student—(rushing wildly in room), Professor, the water stopped running down stairs.

Prof. Munroe—(much surprised) Where?

Student—(quickly), Down stairs in "laboratory!"

Prof. Munroe—What water?

Student. Spigot water.

Prof. Munroe—(much worried), What do you mean by "water?"

Student (gleam of joy lighting his eyes) H<sub>2</sub>O=H two o's!

Rapid exit down stairs.

Professor Greely's article in the "Lady's Home Journal" for April on "The Personal Side of Washington," is attracting a great deal of attention. It requires a close investigator indeed who can find at the late date new facts relative to "the father of his country."

On account of Professor Zopke's introductory address will appear in the next issue.

Freshman examinations in inorganic chemistry took place on Wednesday night. The performance began at an early hour, but was attended by a large, but not over-enthusiastic audience. The manager of this annual performance had made all necessary arrangements for the

comfort of the audience, yet it was noted at the hour of leaving the auditorium, the faces of the audience wore a weary—a tired-out sort of expression. Those who did not fully comprehend the performance will be given tickets of admission for the next annual at the same time next year.

Professor Schoenfeld's original research work on the relation of the Great Elector to the Colonies is understood to be now in print. Its appearance will be awaited with no little interest.

#### Dental Dots.

Dr. Thompson will devote the last lecture evening to a special quiz on "Odontalgia," commonly known as toothache. Each student was requested to find some one cause for this very common complaint, and to give the appropriate treatment therefor.

All students in the Dental Department who are subscribers to THE CALL, and all should be, are earnestly requested to pay their subscription, if they have not already done so. The paper is needing the sinews of war pretty badly at this time, and a little timely assistance on the part of the dental men will help the good cause of college journalism along.

Dr. R. E. L. Wiltberger, of the Senior Dental Class, has been very busy during the past week doing considerable work in the Infirmary, especially in putting the final touches on his specimen plate.

The number of candidates for graduation in the Senior Dental Class is stated as twenty, and we earnestly hope that the terrible ravages of the final examinations will not appreciably reduce the number. We wish to see the class of 1896 the largest up to the present time.

Saturday was a busy day in the Infirmary, the major portion of the afternoon being devoted to a clinic in extraction. Several prominent local dentists were present. The occasion was one for testing the virtues of a new local anæsthetic for the painless extraction of the teeth. Dr. Jordan rounded up a goodly number of patients who were anxious to part with a lot of old snags, and during the course of the afternoon more than thirty were uprooted.

Dr. Thompson visited the Infirmary on last Thursday and by his opportune appearance and valuable assistance helped us over some rough places.

The Senior Class have decided to

have a class picture taken in their graduating robes, it having been decided to wear gowns upon the occasion of their graduation.

Lectures closed on Monday last. Examinations begin on Thursday the 16th instant, the written being held on that evening and the oral held on the evening following for the senior dentals.

Dr. Thompson devoted his last lecture hour to a final quiz on pathological conditions of the pulp and told the classes that he was agreeably surprised at the thoroughness of the answers given.

Dr. Lewis finished his course with a few remarks on the deformities resulting from thumbsucking in childhood. The deformity being of one kind if the thumb is turned *upward* and of an entirely different kind if the thumb is turned *downward*, giving rise to the last named habit to what is vulgarly known as jimber-jaw. Never encourage a child to suck its thumb or any other artificial substitute.

The senior dentals are on the ragged edge of uncertainty awaiting the result of the examinations! Only *thirteen* candidates presented themselves for examination and if all of them should succeed in passing, the class of 1896 with the three gentlemen brought over from the class of 1895 would only make a class as large as the class of 1895.

The Dental Infirmary will resume its usual activity now that the examinations are over. During the months of May and June the Infirmary will be opened for the reception of patients between the hours of 2 and 6 P. M. every afternoon (except Sunday).

Dentals are again appealed to to pay up their subscriptions.

#### College News.

It gives the CALL great pleasure to record the appointment of Mr. Edward A. Playter '96 to be instructor of Psychology and Moral Philosophy in the Summer School.

It is only right that Mr. Playter's ability should be thus immediately recognized by the faculty. As is elsewhere stated Mr. Playter has also been elected Valedictorian of his class.

The CALL has alluded at other times to the advisability of having a well established class organization.

The Graduating class held its election some days ago and plans were perfected for the commencement exercises, the officers elected were as follows:

Mr. Edward A. Playter, Valedictorian; Mr. Harry Hampton Donnelly, President; Miss Eleanor Wilson, Vice President; Miss H. May Johnson, Secretary and Miss Henrietta C. Morrison, Historian. It is the intention of the class to arrange class day exercises to be held on the College Campus, (Ye Gods and little fishes! What a Campus!) Speeches are to be by made the outgoing class and some one to be selected from the Juniors is to answer in behalf of his class.

These are tendencies in the right direction. "Straws show which way the wind blows," goes the old saying. In past years Columbian has been fatally lacking in that "esprit de corps," which every city college must lack in some measure but which is so necessary to the well being of every institution of learning. We welcome the various signs of this increasing enthusiasm for Alma Mater. Athletics; Fraternities; Class Organizations; Class Days; Oh we're getting there!

The C. A. Chess Club has challenged the C. C. C. C. C. and the challenge has been accepted. The advisability of accepting a challenge from the C. A. Chess Club is to say the least, questionable as work is particularly pressing at this season of the year; besides this a college team of any description should hesitate to accept challenges from its own preparatory department. However the deed is done and far be it from the CALL to criticise.

Let the college team fittingly uphold the dignity of its position. Play began last Wednesday. The opposing teams consist of Messrs. Beatty, Raybold, Gordon and Broadus from the college, and Messrs. Ritchie, Gana, Lindsay and Lanza from the Academy.

Relay team to go to Philadelphia on 25th of April, will be composed of following men: Clemons, Scott, G. L. Johnson, McKeldar, Cabrera. Singles and doubles in Tennis.

Columbian preparatory first annual championship games on the 2nd of May, at the Eclipse Bicycle Park, 17th and C streets.

Events running broad jump, 100 yards; 220 yards; high jump; broad jump; ½ mile bicycle; 1 mile bicycle; every event handicap.

#### Academy.

While many of the members of the Chess Club have about finished the number of games they had to play, yet it is urged that those who have not should hurry up and not keep matters behind hand. Mr. Hodgkins plays quite frequently, and many others play throughout recess and after school, so that there is plenty of practice. Flint is one of those who has recently begun to play. Among the seniors we note particularly the excellent playing of Melville Lindsey. This young gentleman had only played about six or seven games before he began playing here, yet he has made remarkable progress, there being not one member of the club whom he has not defeated.

Mr. Steele has made an announcement of great interest and one that must be gratifying to many. On the last period on Monday, to those who have the hour unengaged and wish to attend, he will lecture on Business Law. Such a step should be appreciated by all; the only requisites are a note book and pencil.

Among the week's sick were C. H. Holmead, L. Greenlaw, and R. N. Gwynn.

Walter Honesty must be congratulated upon the success he has made in the building of an improvised stand holding a dozen or so bicycles in the basement. This is very convenient, and will not necessitate keeping the wheels outside as well as afford an excellent storing place in rainy weather.

"Why is heaven," asked one bright fellow

"Like that mass of Bittinger's hair?"

"Because," was replied, in accents mellow,

"'Tis sure there's no parting there."

#### Law Notes.

Mr. H. P. Gatley, of the post-graduate class, has been appointed Assistant Clerk of the District Supreme Court. He has been assigned to Equity Court, No. 2, under Justice Hagner. This is only the due recognition of Mr. Gatley's long and efficient service as clerk in Justice Hagner's Court. Mr. Gatley recently celebrated his twenty-first birthday by being admitted to the bar of the District.

Mr. Andrew G. Bradley, of the class of '95, was made Assistant Clerk in the Law Division of the District Supreme Court, at the same time.

The senior law's held a meeting on the 13th to consider a resolution requesting the University authorities to issue diplomas in English. The resolution was passed, and has been presented to President Whitman by the committee which has charge of the matter. Here the affair rests for the present. We understand that President Whitman intends soon to communicate his views on the subject by letter. The committee also inform us that they wish to set forth a certain matter connected with the question, in the next issue of THE CALL.

The debating society recently adopted resolutions thanking Professor Maury for the interest he has taken in their work this year, and elected him an honorary member of the organization.

A banquet which the juniors of

'96 believe is more elaborate than preceding classes have undertaken, was given by them Friday evening, April 17, at the Riggs House.

Covers were laid for seventy-five, the invited guests including the entire Law School Faculty, President B. L. Whitman, Mr. R. H. Martin and H. C. Evans, president of the post graduate class and Mr. J. M. Fisher, president of the Senior class.

#### Hermesian Society.

At a special meeting of the society held last week it was suggested by the president that after two essays were received from each member they be closed, as there would not be sufficient time to have them by written all. A motion was made to this effect and carried. Wallace Ritchie was also unanimously elected as correspondent for the society. His work will be to give the news of the society to the Academy correspondent in proper form for the CALL. [As the Academy editor is not a member of this society he is therefore not responsible for any reports of its doings beyond what he receives from Mr. Ritchie, which report he must of course transmit word for word, having no authority to change it, even though he should see some evident mistake. These articles, therefore must not be criticised as his work.]

Much excitement prevails among the members of the society because of a debate that is to take place on Friday next, the question being. *Resolved*, That the Monroe Doctrine is the traditional and established policy of American people and should be upheld as such. Those who shall speak on this question are Pro., Van Auken and Lindsey; con, Ritchie and Gwynn.

#### Columbian Athletes.

TRAINING AT ECLIPSE BYCICLE PARK

The track team is still hard at work at Eclipse Park, corner 17th and C. The arrangements for their comfort is very complete. They have two nicely fitted rooms with fires, furniture, and 24 lockers.

The following men are trying for the relay team: Dr. Franklin, Haycock, Scott, Cockrell, Johnson, McKeldon and Cabrera.

Captain Cabrera thinks that McKeldon of the Medical School gives promise of high grade work in the mile run. Schade is speedy and in good form and will win his entries "in a walk." The bicycle men will compare with any team in the country.

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Columbian	21	Gallaudet	0
Columbian	9	Yale	7
Columbian	13	Lafayette	16
Columbian	7	Lehigh	17
Columbian	9	Johns Hopkins	6
Columbian	10	Hobart	0

FROM the above scores it will be seen that our ball team, though it has been playing in bad luck, has so far not made a record that we should feel ashamed off, in the least degree. Up to this time the team has had a hard road to travel, but from now on the outlook is much brighter.

Dalzell's injury in the Lafayette game was almost an irreparable loss to the team, and to that cause alone we can attribute the bad defeat by Lehigh on the 6th. Dalzell is a star player of the highest order, and the team had gotten to depend upon him to such an extent that when he was not in the game they went all to pieces, and made numberless errors. In the latter part of the game they began to recover themselves, but it was too late to do anything.

In the Johns Hopkins game the playing was slow and tedious. Cummings in the box was in good form and pitched a good game, but he was not supported in the usual manner. Beall, at short, lately has not played with the same degree of interest as in the beginning of the season, and while he is a most ambitious player and covers a great deal of ground, he needs to waken up and improve his throwing to first. He is one of the surest batters on the team and can always be depended on at needed times. Greene and Mills have been in good shape and doing some fast playing.

The team needs two things very badly; one is a good, big voiced coach, who can talk long and loud, and the other is practice in bunting and sacrifice hitting.

Financially the season has been very unfortunate, the management losing on every game that has been

played. This is because the students will not patronize the games.

The law and medical students have been conspicuous by their absence, and the only reason that can be accounted for is that in these departments there is a total lack of college spirit. When a University man won't come and see his own team play, at least once in the season, things have come to a deplorable condition.

### Law School Debating Society.

The great silver question, which has been giving some uneasiness to the minds of the American people, was taken up and disposed of last Saturday evening in the Lecture Hall.

Messrs. Fulk, Sullivan and Johnson took their stand with the silverites and entered a hearty protest against the continuance of the game of grab in which the gold-bugs are engaged. Messrs. Robbins, Linkins and Mills, contended, on the other hand, that the free and unlimited coinage of silver would be the last straw on the camel's back.

The Judges, Messrs. Riddleberger, Frith and Latimer, decided unanimously in favor of the silver men, while the Society stood 9 to 12 the other way.

Mr. Moore, Chairman of an appointed committee, reported that a resolution of thanks had been prepared and transmitted to Ex-Gov. Boutwell, through Professor Maury, and read a letter from the latter acknowledging its receipt. At the suggestion of the president, Professor Maury was unanimously elected an honorary member of the Society, as a slight expression of the high esteem in which he is held by the students.

The Post Graduate class having decided not to participate in the last public debate, which will be held on the 25th instant, the Seniors and Juniors each elected one speaker to fill the vacancies. Mr. A. S. Dalton and S. C. Ford were selected.

Mr. Clay offered an amendment to the By-Laws to the effect that the prize debaters shall be elected by the Society instead of by the classes, as now provided. W. M. S.

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## Theatre Talk.

### New National Theatre.

The iconoclasts who claim that the best mission of the stage is to entertain and amuse rather than educate and edify, should not fail to attend New National Theatre the coming week. If half the good things which are said of it are true, this play, which bears the singular title of "The Strange Adventures of Miss Brown," will amuse and entertain them as they have not been amused and entertained for years.

It details the adventures of Captain Courtenay, a dashing Guardsman, who, ignorant of the law on the subject, marries a school girl, Angela Brightwell, who is a ward in Chancery, without the knowledge or consent of the lord high chancellor.

In his marital plans Captain Courtenay, is aided and abetted by a regimental friend, Major O'Gallagher, and his wife, as buxom and hearty a military matron as can be imagined. Hardly have the young couple returned from church than they find that they are pursued by the Principal of the seminary Angela attends, an officer of the law, and a detective from the Scotland Yards. The quick wit of the Major's wife devises a plan for the Captain's escape. Instructed by her, the Major hurries the Captain into a dressing room where his mustach is shaved off and where he dons feminine habiliments.

In this guise he escapes from the house, while Angela is taken back to school. The Captain resolves to rescue his bride, and to fly with her to the Continent, there remain until she becomes of age. His friend, Major O'Gallagher, inducts him into the school as "Miss Brown of Portsmouth." Then the fun becomes fast and furious, but never for a moment injudicious or incorrect. The tribulations, the trials, and the anguish the young couple experience before the play ends happily for them are excruciatingly funny.

"The Strange Adventures of Miss Brown" have kept London laughing for over a year, and New York in eachinatory roars for three months. They should produce unbound popularity in Washington.

### Young Men who were Great.

It has been said that there is a marked tendency to place responsible positions in the hands of young men.

The following list indicates that some of the great men of the past were great in their youth. Thus our confidence in young men of ability seems rightly placed.

Willis was famous before 20.

Everett was a noted orator at 30.

Whitney at 18 invented the cotton gin.

Edison was famous for his inventions at 23.

Bacon was a member of Parliament at 13; at 26 one of its leaders.

Hayne when 22 had the best paying law practice in South Carolina.

Poe was a poet at 16; at 34 he

wrote "The Raven." He died at 38.

Bryant wrote poetry at 9. At 18 his masterpiece, "Thanatopsis," was published.

Choate entered college at 16. Began practicing law at 25. At 30 was peer of any practitioner.

Longfellow's first poetry was published at 13. At 22 he was ranked with our best poets.

Shakespeare left school at 14; Clay at 14; John Bright at 15.

Scott entered the fair realm of literature at 25. At 34 was the most popular poet of the day.

Washington was prominent at 21. At 47 Commander-in-Chief of the American Army. At 57 was President.

Galileo discovered the isochronism of the pendulum at 19. When 36 was the most famous astronomer in Europe.

Bryon's first poems appeared at 19. At 24 he reached the highest pinnacle of his literary fame.

Wilberforce entered Parliament at 21. William of Orange commanded the French frontier at 22.

Burns' first volume was published at 27. At 30 critics conceded him to be the most richly endowed by nature of any living poet.

Napoleon at 27 commanded the army in Italy. At 35 was Emperor. Saw Waterloo at 46.

Tennyson at 33 took that high stand among the poets he held to his death.

Hamilton began his public career at 17. At 27 was one of the best-known lawyers and statesmen of his day. At 32 was Secretary of the Treasury.

Alexander was King of Macedonia at 20; at 25 Lord of Western Asia; at 30 master of the world. He died at 32.

Brougham, that strange and wonderful phenomenon, entered high school at 7. Graduated at the head of his class when 12. At 25 was a noted scientist. When 35 became Lord Chancellor.

Pitt, the younger, was in Parliament at 21; Chancellor of the Exchequer at 23; at 25 First Lord of the Treasury, and for 17 years was the most illustrious and powerful uncrowned head in Europe.

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